REMARKS

Claims 10-12, 17, 19-22, and 24-26 are pending. Claims 13-16, 18, and 23 have been cancelled. Claims 10 and 24 have been amended. Applicant reserves the right to file an appropriate application for the cancelled claims and any unclaimed subject-matter.

Support for amendments to claim 10 and 24 can be found with respect to the specific amendment as follows:

- (1) Support for stretching of component (a) can be found, for example, in the specification at page 7, Example 1.
- (2) Support for the thickness of component (a) can be found, for example, in the specification at page 3, lines 27-30, and cancelled claim 16.
- (3) Support for oxygen transmission rate of the coated polymeric article can be found, for example, in the specification at page 9, Example 4, and cancelled claim 23.
- (4) Support for conditions wherein the oxygen transmission rate is 3 to 15 cc/m²/day, *i.e.* 1 bar, 23°C and 50% relative humidity, can be found, for example, in the specification at page 9, Example 4.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees to Deposit Account Number 08-3040.

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